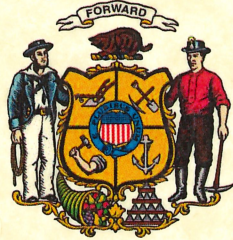


# STATE of WISCONSIN



OFFICE of the GOVERNOR

## Proclamation

*WHEREAS*; Michael Leckrone began his tenure as the University of Wisconsin's marching band director on September 1, 1969, going on to direct the halftime shows for 50 of Camp Randall's 101 years; and

*WHEREAS*; Michael Leckrone innovated the energetic "Stop at the Top" signature marching style of the University of Wisconsin Marching Band and created the infamous "5<sup>th</sup> quarter" during the early 1970s to incorporate fan favorites into the band's repertoire and create a celebratory atmosphere worth staying for after the game, win or lose; and

*WHEREAS*; Michael Leckrone is the longest serving band director past and present in the history of the Big 10 Conference and through his leadership and dedication to his students has created an inclusive learning environment that has positively impacted the lives of countless individuals; and

*WHEREAS*; Mike Leckrone established the UW Varsity Band Spring Concert in 1975 and has engaged and inspired thousands each year in person at Mills Concert Hall, the Field House, the Kohl Center, and via the airwaves through Wisconsin Public Television broadcasts; and

*WHEREAS*; MIKE Leckrone and members of the UW Marching and Varsity Bands have become one of the most visible and positive ambassadors for the University of Wisconsin-Madison, performing hundreds of concerts each year at schools, charity fundraisers, and community events throughout the state; and

*WHEREAS*; Mike Leckrone's musicality, showmanship, and excellence have brought "Moments of Happiness" to countless students in his music history courses, his concert bands, the UW Marching Band, the UW Varsity Band, and to the extended Badger Band family on the field and in the audience for Very Special Arts Day, High School Band Day, UW athletic events, UW Band runout concerts, and public events;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Tony Evers, Governor of the State of Wisconsin,  
do hereby proclaim April 12, 2019 as

### MICHAEL LECKRONE DAY

throughout the State of Wisconsin and I commend this observance to all of our citizens.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have  
hereunto set my hand and caused the Great  
Seal of the State of Wisconsin to be affixed.  
Done at the Capitol in the City of Madison  
this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2019.

*Tony Evers*

TONY EVERS  
GOVERNOR

By the Governor:

*Douglas La Follette*  
DOUGLAS LA FOLLETTE  
Secretary of State